Chenoweth Lumber Company business files, 1956-1973

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Overview of the Collection
Title: Chenoweth Lumber Company business files
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Identification: SPC.00007
Creator: Chenoweth Lumber Company
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Abstract: This collection contains the Chenoweth Lumber Company's account book, purchase order book, log and stumpage records.

Biography/Organization History
The Chenoweth Lumber Company was a family-operated lumber business based on Bodega, California, where the Chenoweth sawmill was located. The Chenoweth family settled in western Sonoma County in the 1870s and was active in early lumbering throughout the area. The company was formed as Chenoweth & Chenoweth Lumber (also known as Chenoweth Lumber Mill Co.) when the mill was built by Hardin T. Chenoweth and his son, Lesley "Les" Chenoweth in the late 1940s. The company first intensively logged the former Galleher property and Joy Woods grove northeast of Bodega. Les Chenoweth's brother, William Chenoweth also joined the business, which was active through the 1970s. Les Chenoweth and the company became embroiled in controversy over proposed expansion of the Camp Meeker water system, which was perceived to benefit the Chenoweth family and their ability to subdivide a portion of the large Chenoweth Ranch for housing parcels.

Scope and Contents
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Access Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection.

Corporate Names
Chenoweth Lumber Company
Chenoweth Lumber Mill Company
Chenoweth & Chenoweth Lumber Company

Topical Terms
Lumber trade--California--Sonoma County--History
Logging--California--Sonoma County--History
Business enterprises-- California--Sonoma County--History

Genre and Format Terms
Business records
Ledgers (account books)
Archival materials

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